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Homebuying Roadshow to help first-time buyers visits Northampton

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Paul Walker, sales director, said: "It's fair to say that buying your first property is daunting, and in this economic climate, may seem out of the question.

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FREE EVERY WEEK

The past week in headlines

At-a-glance news...

Officers in drugs raid
Thurs, Mar 19 – 200 officers took part in police raids in Northampton targeting organised crime



MP backing for newspapers

Thurs, Mar 19 – MP Brian Binley praised the work of local newspapers and called for support in the current climate



Police quiz litter pickers

Sat, Mar 21 – Councillor Chris Malpas was in a group questioned for fly-tipping when in fact they were on an organised litter pick!



Abuse is a major issue at hospital

THE chief executive of Northampton General Hospital has vowed to tackle issues raised in a new survey of his staff.

Paul Forden said he would take the report by the Healthcare Commission seriously but added that it was not reflective of all staff at the hospital.

According to the latest results in the commission's 2008 report published yesterday, 25 per cent of staff reported an incident of harassment, bullying or abuse from patients or their relatives in 2008. The survey also showed more than one in six members of staff had experienced physical violence from patients or relatives in the previous 12 months.

Overall, the hospital was placed in the bottom fifth of all the other trusts in England for 28 out of 36 key areas of staff satisfaction which were assessed.

However, the trust did score well for the percentage of staff using flexible working options and the amount of equality and diversity training. It also had one of the lowest scores for staff intending to leave their jobs.

Paul Forden, chief executive of Northampton General Hospital (NGH), said: "This survey is not conducted with all staff as only a small proportion respond and they are all responding for a reason. I always think that the amount of staff staying is a good judge. If you don't like it where you work, you would want to leave."

Market: It's wait and see



TRADERS were this week experiencing their first few days on the rearranged Market Square in Northampton.

Most of the controversial revamp took place on Monday with the new look stalls moved in a block towards the Grosvenor Centre end of the square.

And although some seemed pleased with their new position and the red and white stalls, many were unhappy and said they would wait to monitor its success before deciding on their future.

Ray Pyall, who has had a stall on the market for 29 years, said: "Two people have already packed in because they were not happy where their new

pitch was. There is no atmosphere on the market now and trade will start drifting away. It is depressing."

Marion Hindson, of Green Dragon Books, said: "It has created a black hole in the centre of Northampton."

Part of the revamp has been to create a larger entertainments area where events will be staged. In a previous

interview, Tony Woods, leader of Northampton Borough Council, said: "We want the market to be successful, but we also want the Market Square to be a place that people want to go to when the market is there and when the traders have gone home. The argument that we want to destroy the market could not be further from the truth."

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The Week in Numbers

60,000: Gordon Brown has unveiled a plan to train up to 60,000 civilians how to deal with terror strikes and other major emergencies. Shop workers and hotel staff will be among those taught how to deal with mass evacuations in buildings and first aid techniques.



413: A survey by *The Grocer* magazine has showed that the cost of supermarket shopping for the average family had risen by £413 a year during the past 12 months. They sampled 25 everyday items and revealed costs had risen overall by 20 per cent.

One trillion: The USA revealed details of a plan to buy up to \$1 trillion worth of 'toxic assets' (£686bn) to help sort out banks' balance sheets. The Public-Private Investment Programme aims to purchase the problem mortgages and securities that have been at the root of the credit crunch. The US Treasury has committed between \$75bn to \$100bn to the scheme and said the private sector would also contribute.



1,400: MOTOR giants Tata unveiled the world's cheapest car on Monday when the Tata Nano was launched for only £1,400. It goes on sale in India next month. The no-frills runaround has only a 624cc engine, plastic seats and no air vents but will be upgraded – and more expensive – when it goes on sale in the UK in 2011.

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Rent rise is cut by half

A PROPOSED rent increase for council house tenants in Northampton has been halved following strong lobbying from residents and politicians.

In February, Northampton Borough Council passed plans to increase council rents by 5.6 per cent.

The increase would have pushed rent bills up by an average of about £4 a week.

At the time, the Liberal Democrat leaders of the council opposed the rise, blaming Government legislation for the increase.

And now, following a Government U-turn on rent levels, Guildhall leaders have voted to cut the increase to only 2.8 per cent, meaning bills will go up by only about £2 a week.

The leader of the council, Councillor Tony Woods (*Lib Dem, St Davids*), said: "This comes from a very welcome Government U-turn.

"At the time, we said a rent increase of 5.6 per cent was too high. We didn't want to do it, we had to.

"But an increase of almost six per cent was unfair and unreasonable, so I'm happy the increase is now 2.8 per cent."

The original rent hike was due to come into force at the begin-



■ The borough council has cut the rent increase to 2.8 per cent

ning of April. But now the amount has been reduced, it will not be included in tenants' bills until May.

The move was welcomed by all parties at the Guildhall.

Opposition leader, Councillor Tim Hadland (*Con, Weston*), said: "This is a welcome move for all our tenants because it means they're going to have to pay out half the increase which was intended."

Labour group leader, Councillor

Keith Davies (*Lab, Ecton Brook*), added: "It's a great benefit to our tenants because six per cent would have been an horrendous increase."

Former Labour MP, Councillor Tony Clarke (*Ind, Castle*), who is now an independent member of the council, added: "I'm glad the Government has realised this would have caused pain for the council house tenants of Northampton."

Demolition for ex-school

A DERELICT Northampton school building which has been targeted by vandals is finally going to be demolished.

The former Bridgewater Drive School in Abington has become a magnet for vandals since its closure in 2007.

Northampton South MP Brian Binley, Councillor Tim Hadland (*Con, Weston*) and resident Stephen Legg, who plans to stand in the county council elections in June, have lobbied Northamptonshire County Council to get the building demolished.

Mr Legg said: "Residents have expressed concerns over the safety and appearance of the site and I am delighted that we have been able to work with our county council colleagues to make sure that demolition begins."

The council hopes to pull down the vacant building in the next few months.

A spokesman said: "We are committed to demolishing this building and work is under way to look into doing this at the end of April."

The school, which was built in the 1960s, was replaced with a new building in 2007.



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■ John Simpson and Toni Jones from the Northampton Arts Collective at the Fishmarket

New deal for arts centre

A VIBRANT Northampton arts centre has been saved from closure after months of campaigning.

It was feared a party due to be held at the Fishmarket on Saturday night would be the venue's swansong but instead it will be a cause for celebration, after talks between the Northampton Arts Collective (NAC), Northampton Borough Council and other funding partners secured its future.

The collective has signed a 10-year lease for the building and additionally has discussed the possibility of expanding to buildings next to the Bradshaw Street venue.

The consortium of funders – which includes Northamptonshire County Council, the Arts Council and Northamptonshire



Primary Care Trust – has also provided a £10,000 funding package which will be used for general maintenance.

Councillor Tony Woods (*Lib Dem, St Davids*), the leader of Northampton Borough Council,

said the authority was leasing the building to the arts collective for free.

"The funding package will keep them going for at least a couple of years and allow them to do some fundraising."

Secure future means an opportunity to build

THE Northampton Arts Collective (NAC) has applauded the decision to secure the future of the Fishmarket.

The NAC pulled out of the venue in January because of lack of funding but yesterday announced it would continue to operate the gallery beyond the end of the month after cash and a lease for the building were secured.

Toni Jones, from the NAC, said: "I think the council have always looked at the Fishmarket as being a unique space. It was being able to maintain the space. Maintenance has always been one of the issues we couldn't cure. The main thing for us now, because we have had time off not knowing whether

we could open, is to say thank you to everybody for their support.

"We're looking for anybody who wants to put on events, or run the cafe, or lease shops. We've got an event on Saturday which was potentially going to be the closing but is now going to be the celebration.

"The Fishmarket is an incredible public access space. It gives everybody a space for artists and space for those who want to come in for a coffee. The money will mean we're able to afford to run the building. We're not out of the woods yet but it's an opportunity we can build on."

Ceramics artist Nita Nathwani was based at the gallery

for a year and a half before moving out yesterday to a bigger space.

She said: "I think it's fantastic news, I'm really happy for them."

Mark Walman, chairman of the NAC board, said: "We have found a way in which to run the gallery within the resources available and build on the foundations that we have already established. We have not entered into this decision lightly, as we realise that it is going to be a long road to build and move forward, but we are all very pleased that we are able to stay and support both the Fishmarket, the traders and provide a space for our patrons to enjoy a wide variety of arts."



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Your View

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I'm not a karaoke fan but my favourite song is *Fantasy* by *Earth Wind & Fire* because it reminds me of my dad. – **Ian Williamson, of Semilong**



I Wanna Dance With Somebody by Whitney Houston. I wouldn't forget the words. – **Kymerly Brickway, of Spring Boroughs**



Hero by Mariah Carey. It's a nice song and I like the video. – **Charlotte Edwards, of St James**



It's Raining Men by The Weather Girls. It's got to be done – **Daniella Manson, from Kingsthorpe**

What's the one thing you have cut back on during the credit crunch?

I've cut down on buying clothes. I used to buy more than I do now, not only for myself but for my grandchildren as well. – **Pat Staiger, The Arbours**



Changing my car. Normally I change it every year but I will be keeping it a bit longer now. – **Krish Pellay, Wootton**



Clothes, and I quit the gym. I haven't got so much money to spend on food. – **Laura Oakey, 25, manager from Northampton town centre**



I'm not actually cutting back but I'm making shopping lists and I go out and only buy what's on the list. – **Jill Watterson, 56, disability nurse from St James**

Three week building delay

WORK to build a new roundabout in Northampton has been stalled for three weeks due to problems associated with the diversion of a high voltage electricity cable.

MGWSP, the highways service provider for Northamptonshire County Council, found the cable on the construction site of the new roundabout, situated at the junction of A4500 Wellingborough Road and Cherry Lodge Road, shortly after they began the 12-week project

on January 5. But, due to operational constraints, EON, the company responsible for diverting the high voltage cable, cannot start the work until this Friday.

A spokeswoman for the highways contractor explained the reason for the delay and apparent inactivity: "MGWSP has undertaken all works possible within the current road closure, including working out of sequence, in an attempt to mitigate any delays caused by the lead-in

period for the electricity diversion.

"Unfortunately, there is currently a situation where little work is taking place and the state of the construction means the junction cannot be re-opened safely.

"MGWSP would like to apologise to residents and vehicle users for the disruption and can give assurance that works will be accelerated, once the electricity diversion is undertaken, to complete the new roundabout."

Tesco outlines plans for store



Tesco in Mereway is planning to expand the store by up to 30 per cent to allow widening of the aisles

PLANNERS of a 24-hour supermarket in Northampton have unveiled multi-million pound proposals to expand the store by up to 30 per cent.

Consultants working for Tesco at Mereway revealed the aim to residents with plans to link up with neighbouring community facilities such as Danes Camp leisure centre, the Abbey Centre Baptist Church and Hunsbury library.

Martin Robeson, a town planning adviser, said the idea was to widen the aisles at the shop as well as move service yards to improve access for shoppers and accommodate massive new developments in Northampton.

Mr Robeson, who presented the scheme at a meeting at Abbeyfield School, Mereway, said: "It's not about stocking a lot of new stuff, it's about making the environment better."

"The plan is not to create enormous mezzanine-level

shopping. What it hopes to be able to do is to put back something into the community. Tesco is a large part of the district centre here."

He added the changes to the store would also allow people going to Danes Camp or the library to park in Tesco's car park as part of a new partnership with the community.

A number of residents attended the meeting and voiced their concerns over existing problems such as noise, traffic and crime in the area.

Borough Councillor Paul Varnsvery (*Lib Dem, West Hunsbury*) said: "Tesco is not a good commercial neighbour, that's the perception from many people."

"You need to win hearts and minds. We have heard from people this evening and they are deeply unhappy with the situation as it is now."

Tony Fletcher, a spokesman for Tesco, said: "We are confident that we can address many of the issues even though some of them may be challenging."

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Officers to help at G20 summit



■ President Barack Obama and PM Gordon Brown

OFFICERS from Northamptonshire Police will be deployed to London next week to help officers in the capital cope with 1,500 protesters at the G20 summit and the first visit to the UK by President Barack Obama.

All officer leave has been cancelled at the Metropolitan Police during the summit, and 26 members of the Northamptonshire force will join their ranks temporarily in an effort to cope with the predicted "unprecedented" levels of protest.

A spokesman for the county force yesterday confirmed that 26 officers in total – including two firearms officers and motorcyclists, one inspector and three sergeants – had been drafted in to help keep the peace.

It is not yet known what their specific duties will involve, but the Met has warned it is facing "innovative and clever" protests from environmental and anarchist groups while Mr Obama and 39 other world leaders meet.

Commander Bob Broadhurst, who is leading the operation for the Met, said police resources would be stretched to the limit.

He said: "These are innovative people and we must be innovative as well.

"I have encouraged officers to try to think about what these people might try to do and hopefully we will have something to mitigate that. It will be an exciting couple of days, to say the least."

Northamptonshire is one of five forces around the country which has been asked to send officers to London for the events, which will coincide with annual April Fool's Day anti-globalisation and climate change demonstrations.

More than 2,500 officers are expected to be on duty in an operation likely to cost around £7 million.

Intelligence suggests protest groups are planning to seal off roads, storm buildings and try to breach security at the ExCel centre in Docklands, where the summit is being held.

It is also thought they will target the financial district in response to the continuing economic crisis.

Dozens of leading world figures, including Obama, will begin to arrive on Tuesday, March 31.

Climate change demonstrations will take place the next day, and the G20 summit will begin on April 2.



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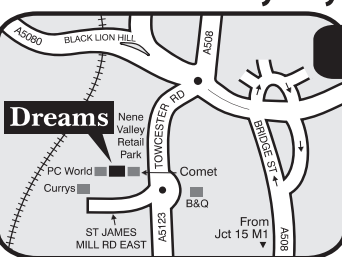
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No parking for one day

RESIDENTS have been warned not to park on a busy Northampton road as a full day of repairs is carried out.

MGWSP, which handles road maintenance in Northamptonshire, is carrying out a seven-hour blitz of long-standing problems in St Leonard's Road, Far Cotton, tomorrow.

Issues road workers hope to resolve include blocked drains, which frequently cause flooded roads and pavements, faulty streetlights and potholes.

A spokeswoman for MGSWP said: "The joined-up working procedures in St Leonard's Road will show what can be achieved with full co-operation from our suppliers and the public. It is anticipated that it will take one day to complete, weather permitting, and no night working will be carried out."

"Some disruption is inevitable but the improvements will benefit the local community and all those who use this route."

MGWSP and Northamptonshire County Council are asking drivers not to park along St Leonard's Road, which has many shops as well as houses, on Friday.

To make sure, the work will be completed under a prohibition of waiting order between 9am to 4pm backed by traffic wardens.

Traffic will still be able to use the road but will not be allowed to stop or park on the road for prolonged periods of time.

However the Netto supermarket, in nearby London Road, will allow motorists to leave cars for up to two hours.

The MGWSP spokeswoman said: "Some disruption is inevitable but the improvements will benefit the local community and all those who use this route."

Friday's operation is a pilot scheme run in partnership with Doing Better For Com-

munities and the area's Safer Communities Team and could later spread to areas such as Abington.

Councillor Brendan Glynane (*Lib Dem, Delapre*) said residents would be particularly pleased that drains outside their homes would be cleared of mud as the problem regularly caused flooding after heavy rain.



■ People have been asked not to park on St Leonard's Road tomorrow

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'Too many for safety'

A LONG-standing problem with over-crowding on a London-bound commuter train from Northampton looks no closer to being solved despite complaints from passengers.

Brian Binley, Conservative MP for Northampton South, criticised the "totally unacceptable quality of service" on the 9.05am service in a letter to train operator London Midland yesterday after a lack of response to his three previous letters on the subject.

The MP wrote: "The four-carriage train you provide for that service is standing-room only when it leaves Milton Keynes and packed to the point where it is endangering customers' safety by the time it leaves Leighton Buzzard. I believe you are now endangering life and limb by packing this train in the way you are and I repeat, that is totally unacceptable."

"It is my belief that your timetabling is in such disarray as to mean that you have not got the carriages required to extend this train by adding additional carriages which would clearly solve the problem."

Mr Binley said he was "so concerned" by the train operator's alleged lack of response that he would raise the matter in



the House of Commons if he did not get a satisfactory answer.

A spokesman for London Midland said the operator did not have enough carriages, and to put another carriage on the 9.05am service would mean taking one away from the 7.03am train. Carriages have already been added to this train to cope with demand.

He said whether the company was allowed to buy more carriages was subject to Department for Transport (DfT) approval, and would be reviewed in May.

He added: "Without extra carriages the only way to do it is to take them off other services. It's a horrible expression but we would be robbing Peter to pay Paul."

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Petition fails to save festival

A LAST-DITCH attempt to safeguard the future of Northampton Balloon Festival has failed despite a petition of more than 800 signatures.

The campaign was submitted to Northampton Borough Council after members agreed the festival would be axed from the budget this year.

It said: "All people signing this petition believe that Northampton Balloon Festival should continue. It is a treasured event on the Northampton calendar and should remain.

The borough council cabinet also heard a plea from Councillor Tony Clarke (Ind, Castle) calling for £75,000 to be ringfenced in reserves, in case a third party offered to stage the event.

Cabinet members said they welcomed the petition as a show of support for the event but said they could not justify promising the money.



■ Northamptonshire is becoming known as a centre for lorry crime

Fear of crime grows

BUSINESSES are being put off from opening distribution centres in Northampton because of the negative perception of lorry crime in the town, a new report into lorry parking has shown.

The Northamptonshire HGV Parking Study, which was put together by consultancy firm Faber Maunsell on behalf of the county council and the Highways Agency, has revealed the county is fast becoming known as a centre for crime involving lorries.

One of the major hotspots for freight crime in the county is the Brackmills Industrial Estate in Northampton, where there has been an average of over 30 reported freight crimes per year over the past six years.

Research by Northamptonshire Police has shown the area has developed national notoriety, with offenders travelling long distances to target the estimated 600 lorries that park up overnight in the county every day.

To combat the high levels of crime, the report concludes that three new lorry parks

need to be built in the area to provide safe, secure facilities, and at least one of these should be on the A14 and one on the A45.

The report says: "The lack of parking in Northamptonshire is having an impact in terms of crime and safety, both for lorry drivers, other road users, residents and visitors to Northamptonshire.

"It is clear the data suggests that there is a requirement for new, high-quality lorry parks in the county, primarily in the A14 and A45 corridors, which are secure, well signed and attractive to drivers."

A spokesman from the Road Haulage Association said: "Drivers should have adequate safe and secure places to park overnight and take statutory breaks. There is a social obligation upon local and central government to ensure that they are provided and at a reasonable price.

"Lorry parking and parking security need a higher priority within local and central government. In planning, this means resisting the closure of existing sites and facilitating the opening."

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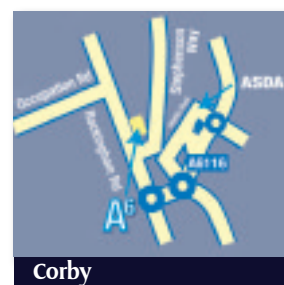
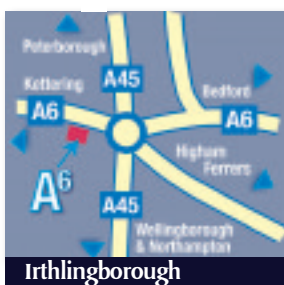


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- Jason Flemyng stars in *Primeval*, which begins on ITV1 on Saturday. In which 1998 Guy Ritchie-directed gangster film did he appear?
- Critically acclaimed show *The Wire* begins on BBC Two on Monday. In which American city is the show set?
- The Apprentice* began last night on BBC One, with Alan Sugar at his cutting best. But what's the name of the technology company he founded, and later sold, in 2007?
- The new series of *Robin Hood* begins on BBC One on Saturday. Richard Armitage (pictured) resumes his role as Guy Of Gisborne, but in which other BBC drama does he star?
- Sarah Lancashire appears in *All The Small Things*, which begins on BBC One next Tuesday. What was the name of the ditzy failed model she played in *Coronation Street*?



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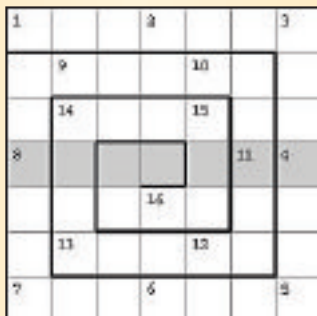
- Jacques Chirac replaced François Mitterrand as French president
- Nick Leeson was arrested for his part in the collapse of Barings Bank
- A Los Angeles Superior Court jury found OJ Simpson not guilty of murder
- John Major (pictured) was re-elected Conservative Party Leader



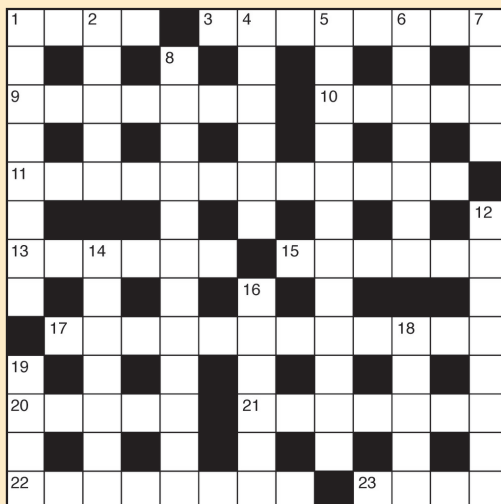
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- Jumping insect
 - Among
 - Opposite of up
 - Common sense
 - Long series of events
 - Assert
 - Skin eruption
 - Cavity
 - Revise
 - Ballerina's skirt
 - Second-hand
 - Narcotic
 - Happy, pleased
 - Info
 - Jelly type
 - South African monetary unit
- Key word clue:** Weapon



QUICK Crossword



ACROSS 1. Dull (4) 3. Sliver (8) 9. Lash (7) 10. Track (5) 11. Surprise (12) 13. Prosper (6) 15. Cling (6) 17. Shameful (12) 20. Corpulent (5) 21. Set apart (7) 22. Remote (8) 23. Dexterous (4)
DOWN 1. Aversion (8) 2. Concerning (5) 4. Gratify (6) 5. Browbeating (12) 6. Learner (7) 7. Annoy (4) 8. Crosswise (12) 12. Passionate (8) 14. Apparel (7) 16. Choice (6) 18. Valiant (5) 19. Unaccompanied (4)

ANSWERS: WORD SPIRAL - 1. Flea 2. Amid 3. Down 4. Nous 5. Saga 6. Aversion 7. Rash 8. Hole 9. Edit 10. Tutu 11. Used 12. Drug 13. Glad 14. Data 15. Agar 16. Rand. Key word solution: Handgun
 CROSSWORD ACROSS: 1. Drab; 3. Splinter; 9. Scourge; 10. Trail; 11. Astonishment; 13. Thrive; 15. Adhere; 17. Disreputable; 20. Obese; 21. Isolate; 22. Outlying; 23. Deft. DOWN: 1. Distance; 2. About; 4. Please; 5. Intimidation; 6. Trainee; 7. Fille; 8. Transversely; 12. Vehe-ment; 14. Raiment; 16. Option; 18. Brave; 19. Solo.
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Whole country lacks midwives

A LIB DEM politician has warned that an apparent shortage of midwives in Northampton is a symptom of wider problems across the country.

Earlier this month, the Barratt Maternity Ward at Northampton General Hospital had to close its doors for 12 hours because it was

overwhelmed with expectant mothers.

During a visit to Northampton last week, the Liberal Democrat's shadow health secretary, Norman Lamb, said the problem was not isolated to Northampton.

He said: "It's a national problem."

"Midwifery facilities are under immense pressure across the coun-

try and I think to put women under all this added stress, at what is supposed to be a joyous occasion, is appalling.

"While the workload on midwives has increased, that piles unfair pressure on them and raises the potential for mistakes.

"So it's just common sense that the number of midwives in the country should be increased."

Family is pulling together

A FAMILY in Northampton which lost two friends to cancer will be taking A Walk in the Park next month to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

Maggie Farrugia, aged 54, has rounded up friends, family and colleagues to join in the sponsored walk around the historic Althorp estate after raising £475 for the charity in last year's event.

Mrs Farrugia, from Standens Barn, said: "I did it last year for a friend, Veronica, who had just died, and a friend of ours, Phyllis. We're doing it in both their memories again this year.

"I loved it and my grandson enjoyed it as well. It was lovely and it was nice to be out there doing something to support Macmillan."

Mrs Farrugia will be joined by her husband Nick and daughter, Kelly Cook, as well as cancer survivors Sue Harris and Irena Spurgeon for the walk.

A Walk in the Park will take place on Sunday, April 26, at the gates of the Althorp estate.

Anyone who would like to sign up can pre-register for the three or six-mile route around the grounds and surrounding village.

More information is available online at www.macmillan.org.uk /walking or by emailing althorpwalk@macmillan.org.uk. Alternatively, call Northampton 647532. Entry is £10 for adults and free for under 16s.



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Letters

Overwhelmed by Lancers reception

FOR one was overwhelmed when welcoming The Lancers home (pictured above), as was my friend. The previous weekend I had visited my father's war grave in Brussels. I'm sure the masses watching the parade were all united in their feelings for the lads and lasses who willingly put their lives on the line for us . . . some were so young. As a mother, I felt a flowing out of love and pride for them as they marched by in their smart uniforms and red caps . . . a most magnificent sight. They were back safe and sound from the conflict. When the bells of All Saints joyously pealed out their welcome, my friend and I burst into tears.

I agree with the Mayor of Northampton, The Lancers should receive the Freedom of our town. It's the least we can offer those heroes in heartfelt gratitude.

**Rosemarie Garner,
St James**

WHAT a heart-warming sight it was to see so many people in the town centre to welcome home the 9th/12th Royal Lancers. Would it be too much to hope that we could see a similar throng pay their respects on Remembrance Sunday?

**Catherine Farrell,
Abington**

RESIDENTS from Upton Grange in Northampton have had enough of rubbish. We are tired of the tide of litter that is bringing down the reputation of our town and are sick of paying through the nose to get other people's junk cleaned up.

And just to prove how much we loathe litter, the Neighbourhood Residents' Association and residents are going to go out into the streets on Saturday, March 28 and pick up junk.

By our actions we aim to show the rest of the community how big a problem litter is and to encourage

them to start disposing of it properly. Members will begin to tackle rubbish at Telford Way. We hope as many volunteers as possible will come and join us and that the rest of the community gets the message that dropping litter is not on.

This clean-up will show others that we care about the future of our local environment and that we are not prepared to live, work and play in an area that is blighted by rubbish. What is good about working together is it creates a sense of community and, for some of our younger volunteers, it is their first taste of active citizenship.

**Paul Watts,
Upton Grange**

IF proof were needed that this penny-pinching Government has lost the plot, it has now arrived. The 65th anniversary of D-Day is to be held in June. The governments of Canada and USA are providing funds to any veteran of D-Day who cannot afford to travel; the French are to be represented by their president.

The British are not providing any funds and have not invited any of the Royal Family to represent our contingent of veterans. The excuse given is there is insufficient funds.

Why can they not give just a small amount to help those who cannot attend? Why are we as a nation to be shamed by the parsimonious attitude of this bunch of "wallies" and the faceless red tape wallahs who carry out their wishes?

This is to be the last anniversary that the majority of the D-Day veterans will be able to attend as the average age is 84, consequently they have collectively decided to wind up the association.

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**Doug Buckle,
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That's what local company Crystal Clear Glazing Solutions Ltd is promising to do to thousands of faulty double glazed windows across the region. Many home owners are all too aware of the irritation of fogged up double glazing but how many are aware of the negative impact these are having on both the environment and their monthly fuel bills?

So with this in mind we decided to ask the regional manager Jason Rodd a few questions about his company .

Jason, we understand that you are offering to defog old broken down double glazing using a proven but new to the UK technique - but what actually is the problem and is it all that common?

Unfortunately the reality of the matter is that many broken down window units are not old at all. In fact just today I took two telephone calls from local customers whose windows had broken down within three years of installation and for one reason or another their guarantees did not help them. In one case the guarantee was not transferable to the current owners of a property even though the windows were just 18 months old.

Right from the start a double glazed window unit is up against the odds and heading for failure. Its problems can start with unseen damage being caused during manufacture, transport and installation.. However, it is actually the day to day environmental changes like temperature and radiation from the sun acting on the unit which have the most significant effect.

The temperature variation causes the unit to expand and contract many times and if the seals are damaged at all then moisture is drawn in with the air. Of course window manufacturers know this so they put dessicant (drying products) inside the units but these have their limitations and when they become saturated your window fogs up!

Ok but don't companies claim to repair these fogged windows anyhow?

Up until the introduction of our Crystal Clear restoration procedure the only way in which these failed windows were dealt with was by removing the existing glass unit and replacing it with a new one.

Figures from the Environment Agency suggest that each year in the UK over 700,000 tonnes of glass are removed from existing windows of which an estimated 500,000 tonnes goes into landfill, an environmental nightmare on a large scale I'm sure you will agree.

Sure, can you tell us what you do differently then?

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Sounds like a big job Jason?

Actually it's a lot less fuss than replacing the glazed unit because in the majority of cases we don't need to take the window out.

Sounds amazing, you've mentioned the processes' green credentials can you tell us more?

Firstly the Crystal Clear restoration procedure aims to restore not replace the glass in your windows wherever possible. We aim to cause a big reduction in that 500,000 tonnes of failed glass going in to landfill every year, not to

mention all of the energy and natural resources that go into manufacturing the replacement set of glass.

Secondly (and this one is directly having an impact on peoples fuel bills) is that your failed double glazing will have lost most of its thermal insulating abilities long before you noticed the fog. That's bad for your wallet or purse. The great news is that after our technicians have reengineered a window much of that insulating effect is regained.

Well it certainly sounds fantastic how well proven is it Jason?

This was originally a Canadian invention and between UK and North America nearly 300,000 units have been successfully reengineered using the Crystal Clear process over a number of years. We needed this proof when we went to the insurance companies to get customer cover for the procedure. I'm pleased to say that as a result of this we do offer our customers a 20 year CERTASS insurance backed guarantee.

Ok so now the million dollar question is it really expensive?

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Wow I think you're going to be busy then.

I think so especially when customers consider the extensive guarantee we offer and that if they do choose to go the other way and replace the glass, it's just going to fail again at some point, it's just a case of how long with most unit replacement companies only giving a 5 year warranty for a good reason !

Well I tend to agree with you Jason this does seem to be a big step forward for the glazing industry and the environment. Any chance of a freebie?

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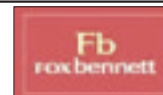


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Double blow for United

Sat, Mar 21 – Paul Scholes and Wayne Rooney (left) were both sent off as top-of-the-table Manchester United crashed 2-0 at Fulham



Wait is over for Ireland

Sat, Mar 21 – Ireland secured their first rugby union Grand Slam since 1948 when they beat Wales 17-15 in Cardiff



Reds pile on the pressure

Sun, Mar 22 – A hat-trick by Steven Gerrard helped Liverpool destroy Aston Villa 5-0 and reignited the Premiership title race.

Apology as Cobblers' display not acceptable

COBBLERS boss Stuart Gray apologised to the club's home fans on Tuesday night after his side lost 4-3 against Swindon Town at Sixfields.

After crushing play-off hopefuls Stockport 4-0 on Saturday, Northampton were confident of grabbing another win to push them five points clear of the drop zone.

But despite taking the lead, the Cobblers struggled in the first half and trailed 3-1 at the break.

Gray said: "I can only apologise for that first-half performance, it wasn't acceptable.

"We got our noses in front with a bright start, and then instead of taking the pressure off ourselves and playing the game in their half, Chris Dunn has played it short to Mark Hughes, he's played it short to Paul Rodgers, and suddenly Simon Cox is scoring.

"But all the goals we conceded were poor. After all the compliments I gave the back four and midfield on Saturday, they just didn't start at all.

"After that first-half performance I can't give any of the defence or midfield any credit whatsoever."

Simon Cox inspired the Robins to a dramatic win, the striker being credited with a hat-trick although his first effort looked suspiciously like a Jason Crowe own goal.

The Cobblers were ahead after two minutes through Adebayo Akinfenwa, but then it all went wrong.

A spirited second-half display and rousing finale wasn't enough from the Cobblers as they fell agonisingly short.

Gray added: "We are at the business end of the season and you want commitment and you want desire, and in the first half we didn't have that.

"Credit to the players they did show something in the second half, but we have lost a game at home against a team that is around us in the table."

This Saturday the Cobblers have a crucial "six-pointer" in Coca Cola League One with a trip to fellow strugglers Carlisle United.

Saints peaking at crucial time



■ Lee Dickson in action against London Irish last Sunday
Picture by LINDA DAWSON

CONFIDENT Saints go into this Saturday's EDF Energy Cup semi-final hoping they have hit form at the right time.

Despite losing at London Irish last weekend, Saints played with a verve and confidence that showed they are peaking just as the season reaches its climax.

And with international stars Dylan Hartley, Euan Murray and Scott Gray returning from Six Nations duties, confidence is high that Northampton can see off Cardiff Blues to reach their first Anglo-Welsh Cup final.

Saints scrum-half Lee Dickson said: "This game has come at a good time. If you had said to us at the start of the season we would be in a semi-final, quarter-final and climbing up the league we would have taken it.

"We are not there yet, but we are building towards a good end-of-season push."

Saints played with real ambition in front of a raucous 22,000 at London Irish on Sunday, the biggest crowd some of the younger players would have experienced, before losing 32-27.

It was good practice for this weekend's clash against Blues at the Ricoh Arena, in Coventry, which is set to see 30,000 pack into the ground.

Dickson said: "This is what you play rugby for; everybody wants to play in finals. We will put in 110 per cent to do that, we will have a good training week, take the positives out of the Irish game and iron out the negatives and go full on for Cardiff.

"It will be just another normal week, it is a big game, but semi-finals take care of themselves, we will be treating it like any other game.

"We will look at Cardiff and how they play, but mostly we will be concentrating on ourselves and how we want to play."

Despite their lowly Magners League position, Cardiff are in the quarter-finals of the Heineken Cup, having beaten Leicester and Gloucester along the way.

Dickson added: "Winning tight games away from home is about being sensible, it is about strategy, getting into the right areas of the field and decision-making from myself and the number 10. We didn't quite manage it against London Irish, we need to be more clinical on Saturday."



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Gemma's helping hand on the property ladder

HAVING searched for many years to get on the property ladder, it was unsurprising that Gemma Thompson was grateful of help into

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27 year old Gemma was keen to buy but found that first-time buyer properties were snapped up quickly, or homes were out of her budget.

But whilst carrying out her grindstone of property research, she heard about a new First-Time Buyer Initiative specifically designed for aspiring first-time buyers, available at one of Barratt Northampton's developments.

Gemma said: "This initiative sounded fantastic. Not only could I afford a modern apartment, but as the mortgage repayment is affordable, I can still furnish it and pay for the things that I need to set up home."

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